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1. An airfield was located north of TULA (37°37'E/54°12'N) on the road to MOSCOW, near km stone 138, about 1,650 feet west of the road (see Annex). Since the field extended for the most part in a western direction its entire size could not be seen. The side running parallel with the road was only about 3,300 feet long. The northern section of the field bordered on a woods. Quarters and a storage depot, in which source occasionally bought some bread, were located in this northern field section. Two hangars located among trees were observed at the northern field border. Farther to the west, there was a short concrete taxiway, about 65 feet wide, joining the runway at a right-angle. This runway extended in a western direction from the administration building at the eastern field border. A transformer station was at the northeastern corner of the field, on the road leading to the quarters. About 0.6 miles farther to the north, about 500 feet east of the road, there was a radio station. It consisted of three three-story brick buildings whose front and rear gables each had a 33-foot antenna mast, interconnected with double antennas. The village of GORELKI was located on the road.
2. The RR line to KHOMYAKOVO crossed the road shortly before km stone 136. Northwest of this km stone, between the road and the RR line, there was an area which was off limits to everybody.
3. Parachute jumps of not more than 16 men from captive balloons and aircraft were seen at km stone 116. The parachutists arrived from TULA by truck.
4. On the same road, west of km stone 115, there was a large military summer camp, designated "technicheskoye Camp" (TESNITSKOYE - 14 miles north-northwest of TULA?).

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5. Comment  
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a. The above data supplements and confirms the location and condition of the airfield north of TULA. A parachute school was assumed to be located at this field. Ammunition dumps, as previously reported, were probably located in the restricted area.

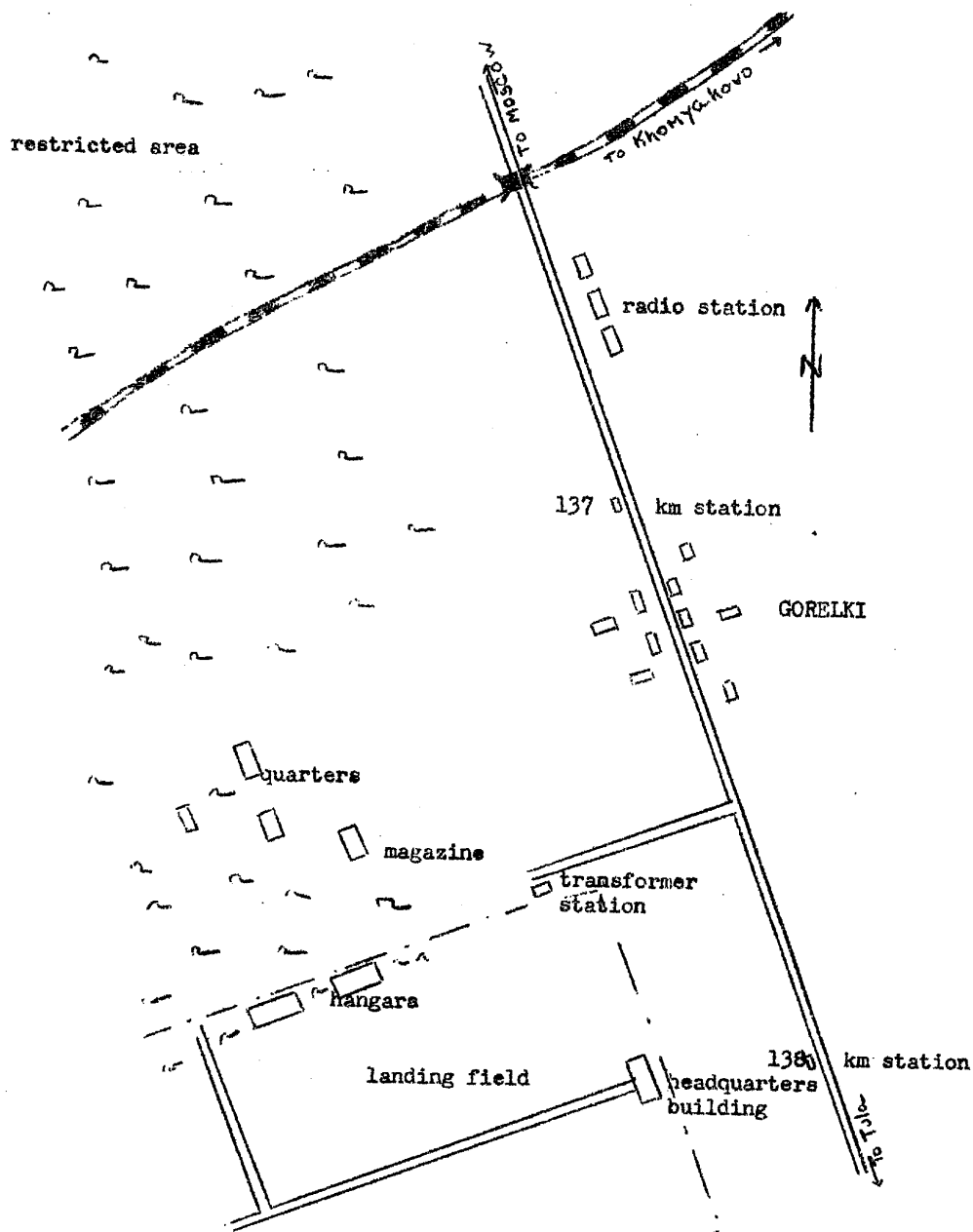
b. The parachute jumps from captive balloons raised over the troop training grounds were reported for the first time. This information seems credible since parachute jumps from such captive balloons were also reported from other parachute training center. From available information it can be inferred that systematic parachute training, covering the entire range from individual practice jumps to jumping in small groups in connection with combat training, is being conducted there. This includes air landing maneuvers with cargo gliders and the parachuting of disassembled guns.

1 Annex: Airfield and military installations North of TULA

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Airfield and Military Installations North of Tula



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